

METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR MANAGING  
DATA MIGRATION

1                   ABSTRACT

2         Provided are a method, system, and program for managing data migration from one data  
3         organization type to another. In one embodiment, a migration manager defers writing progress  
4         indicators to reduce data write operations during the migration process. In one embodiment,  
5         progress indicators are written to configuration areas of disk drives when a condition is met. One  
6         example of a condition is the expiration of a time period since the last progress indicator was  
7         written. Another example of a condition is an overlap between the destination of a unit of data  
8         being migrated and the source of the unit of data. Yet another example is an overlap between the  
9         destination of a unit of data and a portion of the data source which has been copied but a progress  
10        indicator has not yet been written covering the data source portion.